



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re: U.S. Patent Application of Rafi RABIBOUR et al.  
App. No.: 09/986,498 Group Art Unit: 2662  
Filed: November 9, 2001 Examiner: Hong Sol CHO  
Entitled: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PACKET-BASED MEDIA  
COMMUNICATION

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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Attention: Issue Branch  
Alexandria Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104(e), the applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, to the extent that the Statement might be construed in any way to limit the scope of the allowed claims.

More specifically, the application would like to indicate that the language set forth in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance does not appear in independent claims 1, 10, 19, 28, 38, 39, 41, 43, 45, 46, 47 and 48. The Examiner's Statement includes features that are completely absent from the above listed independent claims. As such, the Applicant submits that this statement places an unwarranted interpretation upon Applicant's above listed claims in that it infers certain features that are not intended to be present in these claims. Consequently, the applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance with respect to independent claims 1,

10, 19, 28, 38, 39, 41, 43, 45, 46, 47 and 48. The language set forth by the Examiner merely paraphrases the language of independent claim 34.

Respectfully submitted,

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